

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following as the first paragraph on page 1 of the present specification, after the title:

This non-provisional application is a divisional of non-provisional U.S. Patent Application No. 10/117,944, filed April 8, 2002, now allowed, benefit of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and which in turn claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of U.S. provisional Application No. 60/287,506, filed April 30, 2001, priority benefit of which is also claimed for the present application.

Please replace paragraph number [0026] on page 2 of the present specification as published under U.S. Patent Application Publication Number US 2002/0183548 A1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0026] wherein Mo, V, N, X and Z are present in such amounts that the atomic ratio of Mo:V:N:X:Z is a:b:c:d:e, and, when a=1, b=0.01 to 1.0, c=[0.1]0.01 to 1.0, d=0.01 to 1.0 and e=0 to 0.1;

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[0036] wherein Mo, V, N, X and Z are present in such amounts that the atomic ratio of Mo:V:N:X:Z is a:b:c:d:e, and, when a=1, b=0.01 to 1.0, c=[0.1]0.01 to 1.0, d=0.01 to 1.0 and e=0 to 0.1;

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[0045] wherein Mo, V, N, X and Z are present in such amounts that the atomic ratio of Mo:V:N:X:Z is a:b:c:d:e, and, when a=1, b=0.01 to 1.0, c=[0.1]0.01 to 1.0, d=0.01 to 1.0 and e=0 to 0.1;